

## Organization spokesman fears another Vietnam war

By Denice Smea

The United States' foreign policy in certain countries may lead to involvement in another conflict like Vietnam, a representative for an international peace organization said in a press conference Tuesday.

Don Luce, representing Clergy and Laity Concerned, said this foreign policy created both anti-American and revolutionary feelings in two ways. First, the United States continues to send military aid to the governments in these countries and secondly, no restrictions are placed on the practices of American multi-national corporations.

These countries include Iran, Thailand, the Philippines, Taiwan and South Korea, he said.

U.S. military aid continues in the form of sending money and technical assistance to governments that have little or no regard for human rights, Luce said.

### Oil dependence problem

The main reason for this is the American dependence on the oil located in these countries, especially Iran, he said.

For example, Luce said, the Shah of Iran receives \$22 billion yearly from oil, most of which goes into buying military equipment.

He said according to Pentagon records, \$5.5 billion of this went to the United States for American military equipment.

"This represents half of the total arms sale of the United States," he said.

There also are 40,000 Americans in Iran, serving as technical representatives for the military equipment bought by the shah, he said.

"That's almost twice as many troops as were in Vietnam in February, 1965," when an American installation was attacked, some Americans were killed and



Photo by MaryAnne Golon

Former journalist Don Luce at a press conference Tuesday.

Marines were sent in to protect the rest of the Americans there, Luce said.

### Blood of children

"Progress is made (in Taiwan) literally on the blood, sweat and tears of Asian children, specifically girls," he said.

This lack of control on corporations hurts Americans in three ways: it exports jobs to countries where wages are lower, causing unemployment in the U.S.; it exports the tax base because these corporations do not pay taxes or profits earned in foreign countries; and finally, when the workers of these countries revolt over the working conditions, American aid is sent.

Luce said Americans are not being consulted along the way about foreign policy, but only become involved after Americans stationed there have been killed.

If he had the authority, Luce said, he would end military aid to dictators and end arms sales.

### Former journalist

Luce was a journalist and an agricultural representative sent to Vietnam 20 years ago to develop new varieties of sweet potatoes.

While there, a friend of his was imprisoned for political reasons, Luce said. When his friend was released he told Luce about the small tiger cages in which he was kept.

Luce and two American Congressmen visited the prison and discovered prisoners living in cages of five feet by ten feet, he said. They released this information, which caused a lot of controversy in the United States.

Later, he learned that the United States Department of Navy had issued a contract for \$400,000 to a construction company to build 384 new tiger cages two feet smaller than the ones already being used, he said.

The money for this contract came from a fund marked Food for Peace, Luce added.

On a speaking tour of Nebraska and the Midwest this week is being sponsored by Nebraskans for Peace, an affiliate of Clergy and Laity Concerned.

## Housing in lounges is not very temporary for many girls

By Sara Martens

About 80 UNL women still are residents of temporary housing in the lounges of Schramm, Smith, Abel and Sandoz residence halls. They have been informed by the Office of University Housing that space in permanent rooms will not be available until second semester.

"I understood that we would be out (of temporary housing) by Oct. 1," said Debra Sells, one of the three residents of the Schramm 7 lounge.

"I probably would have stayed home if I'd known I'd be in the lounge all semester," Sells said.

Margaret Wenke, coordinator of housing contracts and assignments, said she was amazed at the large number of women in the residence halls.

Wenke said this is the first year she is aware of a greater number of women than men in the dormitories.

There currently are rooms available for men in the halls, with the total number of men's contracts decreasing by 41 from last year.

### Freshmen requirements

Unmarried freshmen less than 20 years old, who do not

commute from their permanent homes, are required to live in either a residence hall, cooperative or fraternity or sorority. Sophomores fall under the same requirement unless they file written parental permission to live off-campus.

Housing Director Doug Zatechka said exceptions to this policy are extremely rare, even for students in temporary housing, but students occasionally are allowed to live with immediate relatives.

He said extreme problems in temporary housing should be discussed with the housing office and that students with problems could be moved to the top of the waiting list.

Wenke said any students can apply for special permission to live off-campus, with each case considered on its own merits.

### Request reviewed

These special requests are first reviewed by the residence director of the dormitory. If approved by the RD the request then goes before a three member board, composed of Wenke, Dick McKinnon, assistant director of housing, and Glen Schumann, coordinator of residence

hall administration.

Temporary housing is livable, but there are some disadvantages, according to the two residents of the Schramm 3 lounge.

Cheryl Jones and Lorraine Coleman are the two remaining residents of the lounge which housed five women at the beginning of the semester.

No windows, mirrors or long distance telephone service and an excess amount of air conditioning are their major complaints.

Jones also said their room is noisier than most, since each wall of the room faces a hallway.

### Guys noisy

"The guys in the lounge upstairs are pretty noisy too. When there's a football game on we hear them jumping and screaming," Jones said.

Despite these problems, the women are happy with the situation. "I think I could stay here all year with a few improvements," Coleman said.

The housing office is considering two alternatives to compensate for the overassignment problem, McKinnon said.

Other solutions also will be considered, Zatechka said. He has asked the Council on Student Life, Residence Hall Association, the ombudsman and ASUN for help with the problem.

Women living in corner rooms can currently offer to have a third roommate move in from temporary housing, McKinnon said.

### 99 cent rebate

In the case of triple occupancy, all three women would receive daily a 99 cent rebate from the housing office.

This rebate currently is given to temporary housing residents, but it isn't enough to compensate for the inconvenience, Coleman said.

Coleman and Jones also are hesitant about a consolidation of lounge residents being considered by housing, and would rather stay on third floor.

McKinnon said the housing office may place up to four women in a lounge, opening as many lounges as possible to general use.

"We really like this floor," Jones said. "Besides we can't leave now, we've already bought the floor T-shirts."



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"Call my lawyer; I want an appeal," pleads Willie Raccoon from his cell at Ager Memorial Zoo.

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